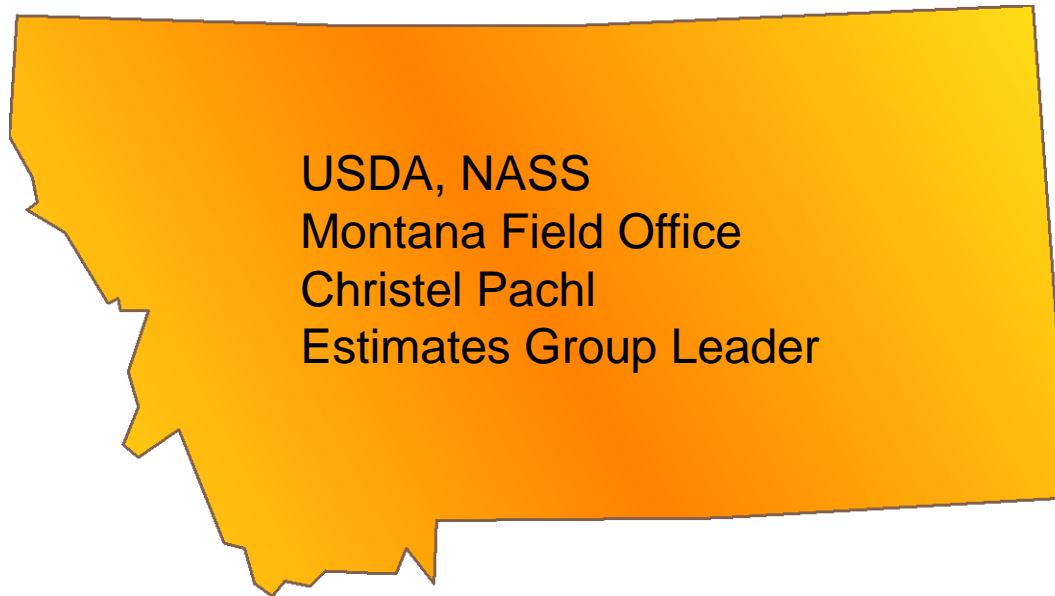


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2012 Montana Winter Wheat Seedings

Food Grains	2012 Seedings Thou. Acres	2011 Planted Thou. Acres	% Change
Winter Wheat	2,200	2,250	-2.0



U.S. Winter Wheat Seedings

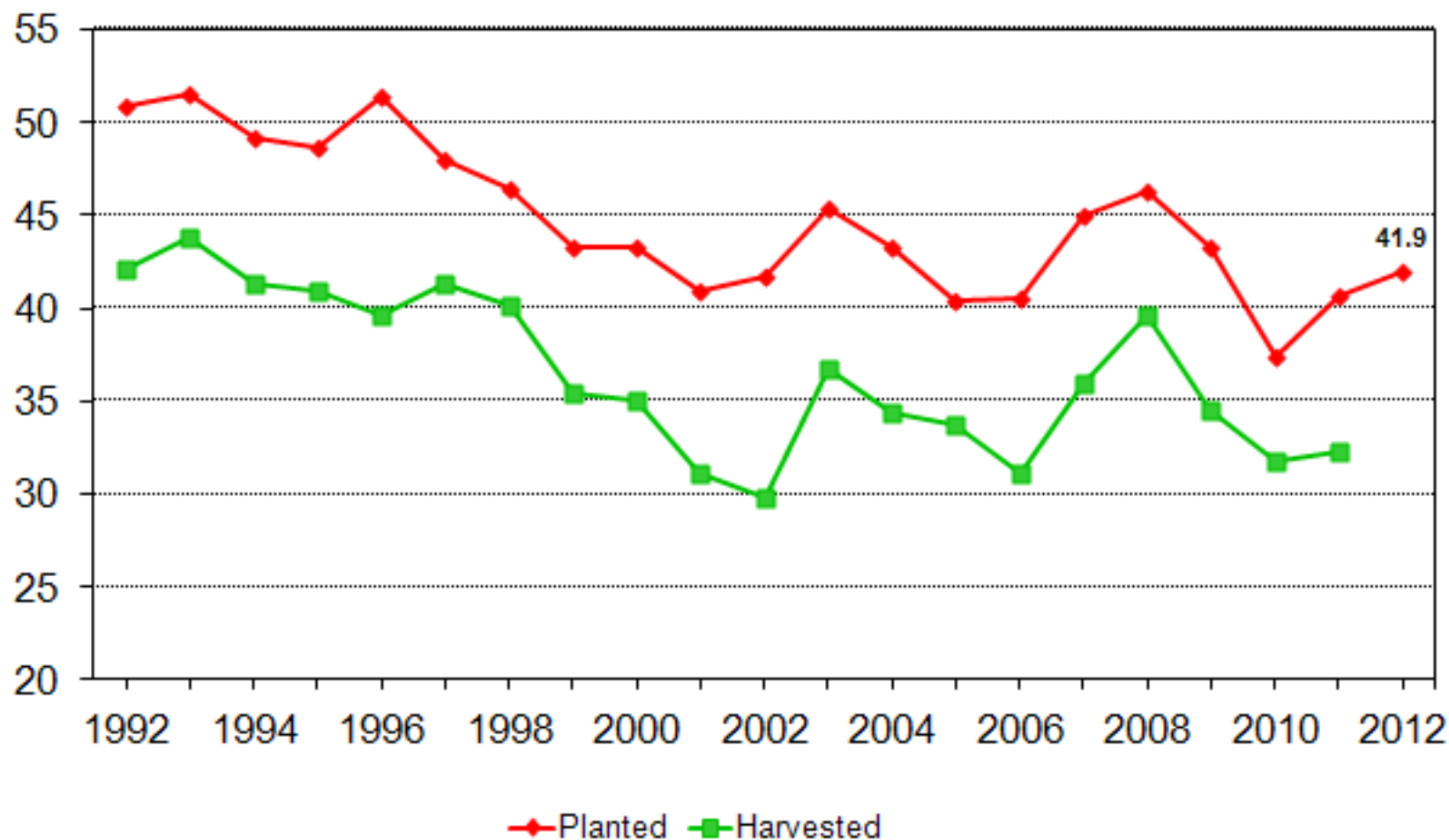
Crop	Unit	2012	% Change from Previous Forecast	% Change from Previous Season
Winter Wheat Seedings	Mil Ac	41.9	---	+ 3.2



U.S. Winter Wheat Acres



Million acres

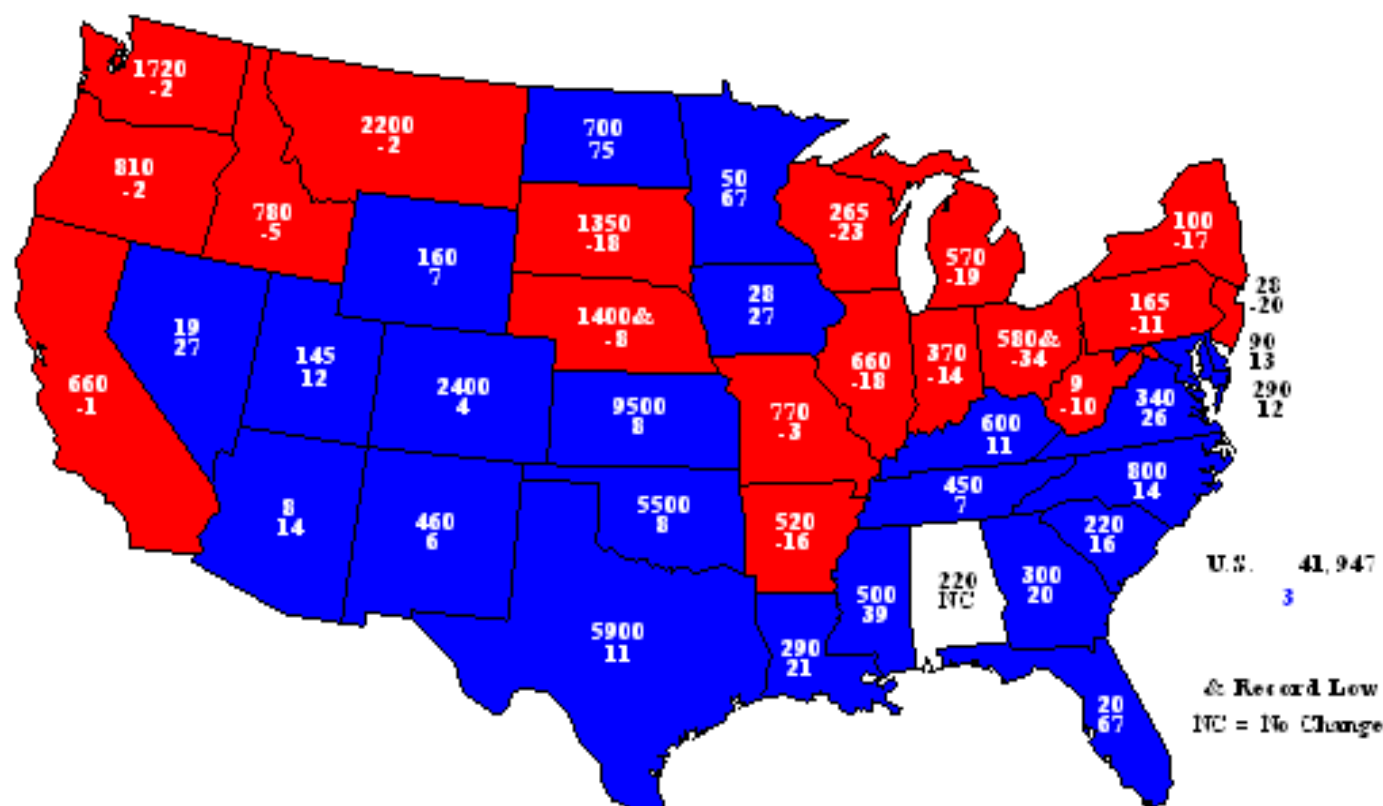


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Winter Wheat Planted, 2012

Acres(000) and Percent Change From Previous Year



Topsoil Moisture

Month Ending February 29, 2012

	This month	Last month	Last year
Very short	14%	11%	1%
Short	39%	35%	7%
Adequate	46%	53%	73%
Surplus	1%	1%	19%

Subsoil Moisture

Month Ending February 29, 2012

	This month	Last month	Last year
Very short	14%	13%	4%
Short	38%	34%	10%
Adequate	44%	48%	82%
Surplus	4%	5%	4%

Winter Wheat Condition

Month Ending February 29, 2012

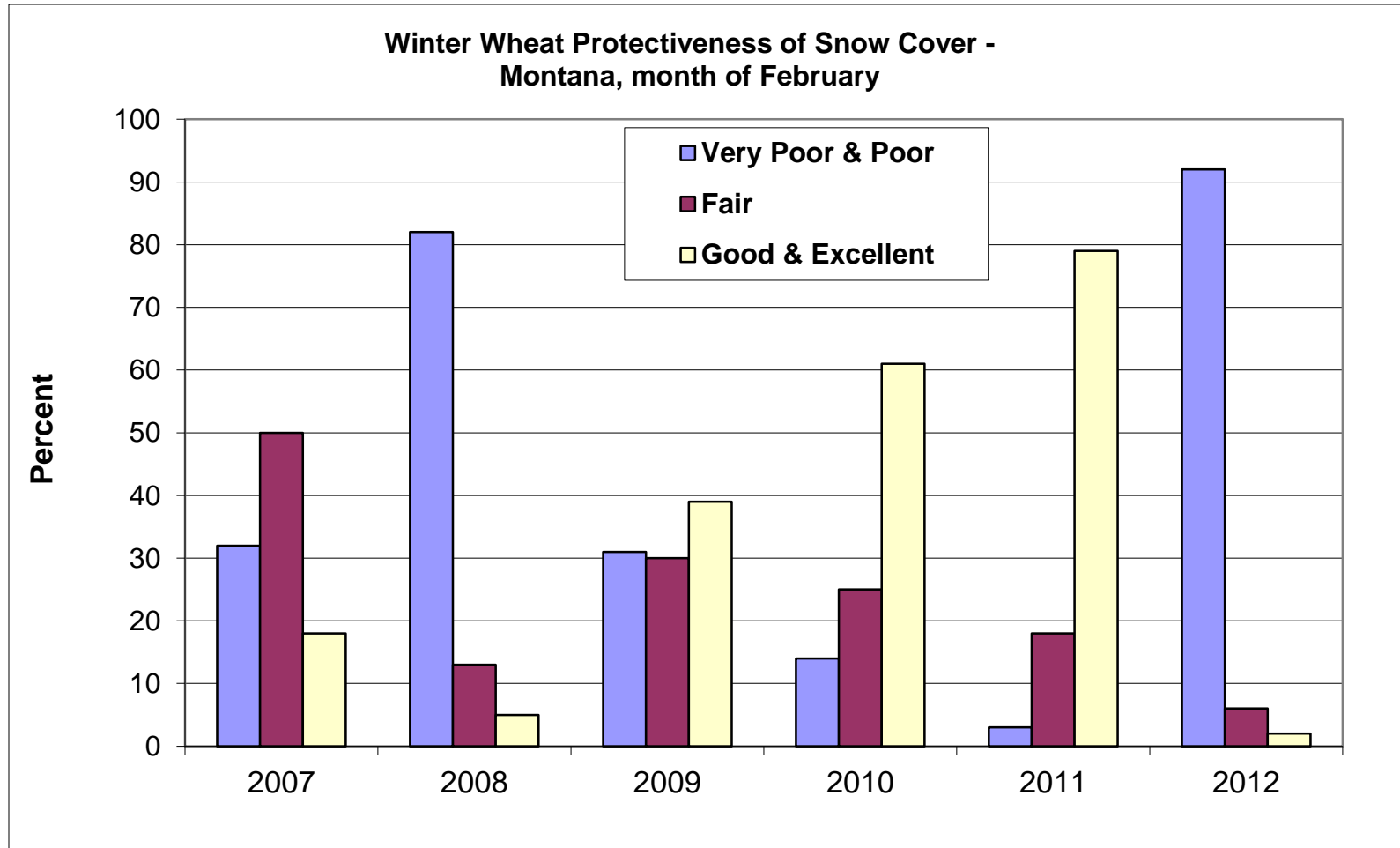
	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
This month	2%	10%	64%	22%	2%
Last month	2%	10%	62%	23%	3%
Last year	0%	4%	25%	56%	15%

Livestock Grazing

Month Ending February 29, 2012

- Grazing conditions are 81 percent open, far above last year's 33 percent.
- 91 percent of both cattle & calves as well as sheep & lambs were receiving supplemental feed, less than last year

Winter Wheat Snow Cover



Upcoming Releases

- March 26th March Crop Weather
- March 30th Prospective Plantings
Grain Stocks
- April 2nd Weekly Crop Weather
- May 10th Crop Production
- June 12th Crop Production
- June 29th Acreage
Grain Stocks